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Dear Parents,

The whole school staff team are so looking forward to all the children returning to school on Monday 8th. We appreciate that children will have mixed emotions ranging from highly excited to highly anxious and everything inbetween and staff are ready to support with empathy and understanding. It will be important to support children in moving on with their learning, catching up if necessary and helping them to rebuild their confidence in their social interactions. The Educare group of children have made this poster (shown below) which can be spotted in our hall window.



My Head Teacher challenge, which will have been screened today via Teams or Tapestry is all about our School Vision. I do encourage you to help your child complete this challenge as it is helpful in preparing your child to get back into positive school routines and modes of working as well as being a fun activity to get involved in over the weekend.

Returning to school adjustments

- Please wear school uniform if it fits and if not, something similar will be fine until the end of July 2021.
- Please return any 'equipment' if it was loaned to you by the school over lockdown.
- Please send your child to school on Monday 8th with their book bag containing their reading books and liaison book only.



- Please send your child to school with their water bottle.
- Do not send any work completed at home over lockdown but keep as a record which will be added to when learning books are sent home at the end of term in July.
- Please send your child to school with their PE kit in a PE bag.
- Please remind your child of our school rules: Kind hands, Kind words, Kind feet and Kind actions.
- **Please be on time in the morning and the afternoon.**
- Please remember the new timings for school starting and finishing which were sent out last week. (Soft start for Y1 and 2 between 8.50 and 9.00 and 3.20 exit from Y1 classrooms and 3.25 exit from Y2 classrooms (all from Y2 doors) Early Years Foundation Stage children 9.05 line up in playground and 3.10 dismissal from usual door for Oak and Ash and Y2 door for Cedar.
- Normal school dinners will be available for all children.
- Free fruit snack will be available to all children as usual.
- If your child requires new medicine at school, please print off a medicine sheet from our school website or collect from your child's teacher and hand the prescribed medicine to your child's teacher in a bag.
- Please send your child to school with warm layers of clothing as the doors and windows will be open in order to provide a well ventilated learning space.
- Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat as they will go outside in all but the most extreme of weathers.
- For adults entering the playground to **wear a mask** (unless medically exempt) **and socially distance**.
- For all adults to use the enter and exit gates (unless with a pram or having a physical mobility issue) This request includes those who are taking children to the Junior School or collecting from the Junior School.
- No after school activities will be running. A review of this will be made at Easter.
- Explorers Den after school will be fully operational for before and after school care. Please book with them direct if you require this facility.
- Communications with school will remain as via email or phone. Parents are not permitted in the school building.
- Please remind your child that all safety measures will be in place and that frequent hand washing or sanitizing will be required throughout the day.

May I wish you all a very lovely weekend and I hope that you find fun and safe things to do in this spring weather. If you feel that your child is exhibiting many anxieties about returning to school on Monday, please email me at school and I will work with the teacher concerned to provide additional support. Please be confident that all staff have received additional training to identify and support children with emotional health and wellbeing needs so we have a range of additional support strategies ready for those that need it and will be surrounding all children with wellbeing support as they return to school.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs E A Hill
Head Teacher